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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 3/6/72

WEATHER The past week was the third consecutive week of warm, dry and windy weather in Nebraska. Temperatures were extremely variable from day to day during the week but averaged from three to nine degrees above normal except for near normal averages in the northeast.

Temperatures reached the 70's and 80's over much of the State on Monday and Tuesday. The 83 degrees at Lincoln on Tuesday is the highest ever observed there during any winter month (December, January, February) of record. The lowest temperatures of the week were reported on Saturday morning and were generally in the zero to 10 above range although Chadron reported two degrees below zero.

Light rain and snow flurries fell on several days, but moisture amounts were small.

CROPS Limited field work was performed last week during the above-normal temperatures. Stalk cutting was the most frequent activity along with a few reports of seed bed preparation. Much machine and building repair work was accomplished during the warm days.

The warm and dry weather has increased the danger from fire. A few range fires occurred last week with limited damage reported. The dry top soil in many areas has resulted in continued minor wind erosion of exposed soil.

Winter wheat is starting to green in local areas, mostly in eastern Nebraska.

LIVESTOCK Livestock conditions continue to be good to excellent with only normal losses of newborn animals.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING 3/6/72

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	T	Burwell	.01	Chadron	.18
Lincoln	.05	North Platte	.01	Imperial	---
Norfolk	.05	Valentine	T	Scottsbluff	.17
Omaha	.09			Sidney	T
Sioux City	.20				

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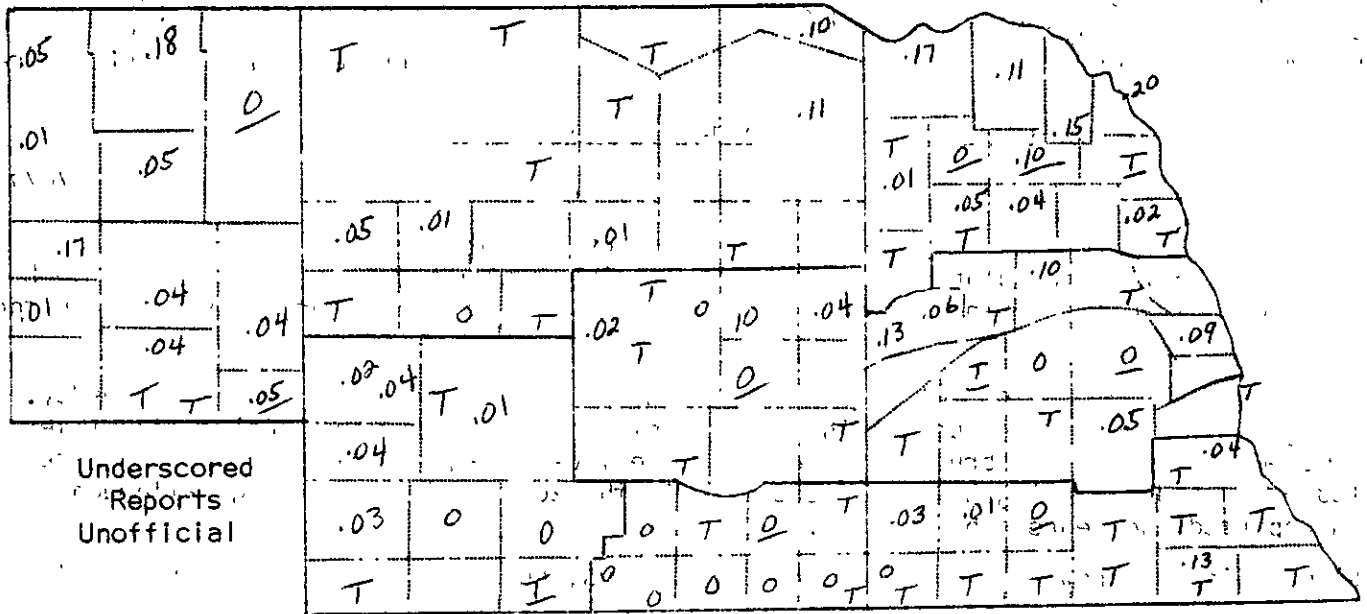


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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 3, 1972



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Daytime highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Nighttime lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CST)

		February 28th		29th		March 1st		2nd		3rd		4th		5th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	74	38	68	10	42	18	50	31	48	-2	36	13	62	39
	Scottsbluff	73	36	69	19	44	17	57	43	54	22	39	17	66	48
	Sidney	74	34	69	17	45	11	57	34	58	9	38	10	67	34
NC	Burwell	76	28	59	9	25	6	40	21	47	4	43	13	55	--
	Valentine	73	26	53	4	24	9	50	30	42	2	41	11	56	35
NE	Norfolk	71	31	47	14	19	5	29	22	43	4	26	7	51	35
	Sioux City	66	35	46	20	20	5	23	20	38	4	19	7	39	34
CEN	Grand Island	77	35	73	17	26	7	41	31	51	9	39	12	55	38
EC	Lincoln	78	41	83	24	24	10	36	28	51	10	32	14	52	44
	Omaha	76	38	72	22	22	7	28	22	48	5	27	5	45	38
SW	Imperial	Imperial no longer available. Station closed.													
	North Platte	76	25	71	14	37	10	53	29	57	11	44	14	60	25